

Application No.: 10/051,613
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b.) Remarks

Claims 1-6, 9, and 12-51 are pending in this application. Claim 5 has been amended as indicated hereinabove.

Claim 5 has been objected to because of an informality. This Amendment provides the correction to Claim 5 to as required by the Examiner.

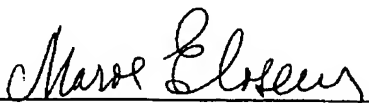
Claims 1-6, 9, and 12-51 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over Claims 1-17 of U.S. Patent No. 6,606,850 B2;

Claims 1-6, 9, and 12-51 are otherwise allowable. To obviate this rejection, a terminal disclaimer to obviate a double-patenting rejection over a "prior" patent is filed together with this Amendment.

Applicants believe that the present application is in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is respectfully solicited. Should any questions arise, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned.

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